

Executive Newsletter

Milwaukee County Executive Scott Walker's Weekly Newsletter

July 14, 2006

Message From County Executive Walker

Welcome to the first edition of our freshly designed newsletter. This weekly newsletter will keep you up-to-date on events and issues affecting Milwaukee County.

This week, we reported that Milwaukee County posted a budget surplus of \$4.66 million for 2005. This is great news for Milwaukee County. However, this does little to diminish the serious budget challenges we face in 2007. We are still projecting an \$89 million deficit for 2007 and an almost \$300 million deficit through 2011. This budget shortfall will necessitate some tough and painful decisions as we put together our budget during the next month. The news today is good, but as my Budget Director, Steve Agostini, said, "it's like we found a \$20 bill but still have to make a mortgage payment."

Scott



Air Expo Lands at Lakefront



County Executive Walker at last year's show

The TCF Bank Air Expo takes place this weekend -- Saturday, July 15th and Sunday, July 16th from 11:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. on both days. Veterans Park is one of the best places to see the show.

The headline performers are the famous U.S. Air Force Thunderbird team. Also appearing: the Army Golden Knights parachute team, and some of the finest professional air teams in the world.

VIP tickets and parking are still available. You can get more information about all aspects of the show at <http://www.milwaukeeairexpo.com>

Giraffe Exhibit Opens At Zoo



The Miller Brewing Company Giraffe Experience officially opens this weekend. The new giraffe enclosure is not only more comfortable for the giraffes, but thanks to a new six-foot high walkway, visitors can get face to face with these fascinating creatures. For more information, go to the zoo website at:

www.milwaukeezoo.org

Concourse C Renovation Complete At Airport

The \$17 million expansion of the Concourse C “stem” at General Mitchell International Airport has now been completed. The project adds 31,000 sq ft to Concourse C, increasing its area to 96,000 sq ft.

- Improvements created by the renovation include: wider area and increased throughput capacity for the security checkpoint,
- One security screening lane added, for a total of three lanes
- Larger airline gate seating areas
- A wider corridor between gates
- Atrium and clerestory windows that let in more natural light
- Remodeled food, beverage and retail areas

The C stem renovation marks the second of six major concourse remodeling projects to be completed at the airport. www.mitchellairport.com



MKE travelers are walking on art. Acclaimed artist Carlos Alves is transforming the main corridor of the recently remodeled Concourse C into a work of art that gives visitors a sense of discovery about the region. The project is part of Milwaukee County's One Percent for the Arts program.

Calendar of Events

TCF BANK AIR EXPO

PLACE VETERAN'S PARK

TIME SATURDAY, JULY 15, SUNDAY, JULY 16, 11:00AM – 4:30PM

WWW.MILWAUKEEAIREXPO.COM

MILLER BREWING COMPANY GIRAFFE EXPERIENCE

PLACE MILWAUKEE COUNTY ZOO

TIME JULY 15

WWW.MILWAUKEEZOO.ORG

COUNTY BOARD ECONOMIC & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

PLACE COUNTY BOARD MEETING ROOM

TIME MONDAY, JULY 17, 9:00AM

COUNTY BOARD PARKS ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

PLACE COUNTY BOARD MEETING ROOM

TIME TUESDAY, JULY 18, 9:00AM

COUNTY BOARD HEALTH & HUMAN NEEDS COMMITTEE

PLACE COUNTY BOARD MEETING ROOM

TIME WEDNESDAY, JULY 19, 9:00AM

COUNTY BOARD FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE

PLACE COUNTY BOARD MEETING ROOM

TIME THURSDAY, JULY 20, 9:00AM

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PLACE HENRY MEIER FESTIVAL PARK

TIME THURSDAY, JULY 20 – JULY 23

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